

LIST OF CLAIMS / AMENDMENTS

Claims 1, 32, 38, 43 and 46 are amended as shown herein.

Claims 9-10, 13-21, 23-29 and 31 are cancelled herewith.

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method for providing audio and lyrical data to a user comprising:

receiving a user request to play an audio file;

identifying, based on the user request, a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage for displaying a lyric set associated with the audio file;

automatically searching a list of lyric sets associated with the audio file to determine whether the lyric set is available in the preferred language and the preferred sublanguage;

~~identifying~~ automatically selecting an alternate lyric set to be displayed based on a hierarchical list of language priorities provided by a lyric synchronization module when the automatic searching indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the preferred sublanguage, the automatic selecting performed without user assistance; and

playing the audio file and displaying the alternate lyric set.

2. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the alternate lyric set is contained in the audio file.

1 **3. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
2 alternate lyric set is stored separately from the audio file.

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4 **4. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
5 alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments, and wherein each of the
6 plurality of lyric segments is associated with a particular time period of the audio
7 file.

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9 **5. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
10 alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments and the audio file contains
11 a plurality of time codes, wherein each of the plurality of time codes corresponds
12 to a particular lyric segment.

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14 **6. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein a particular lyric
15 segment is displayed during playback of the audio file based on a current time
16 code.

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18 **7. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
19 preferred sublanguage identifies a regional dialect of the preferred language.

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21 **8. (Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a
22 computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited
23 in claim 1.
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1 **9-31. (Cancelled)**

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3 **32. (Currently Amended)** A method for providing audio and lyrical
4 data to a user comprising:

5 receiving a user request to play an audio file;

6 identifying, based on the user request, a preferred language for displaying
7 lyrics;

8 identifying an alternate language for displaying the lyrics based on a
9 hierarchical list of language priorities when the lyric set is unavailable in the
10 preferred language, the identifying the alternate language performed automatically
11 and without user assistance;

12 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the preferred
13 language if lyric data is available in the preferred language; and

14 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the alternate
15 language if lyric data is not available in the preferred language.

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17 **33. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising
18 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in English if lyric data is
19 not available in the preferred language or the alternate language.

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21 **34. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 wherein the lyric data is
22 stored in the audio file.

1 **35. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising:
2 while playing the audio file, receiving a request to change the language of
3 the lyrics being displayed; and
4 displaying associated lyric data in the requested language.

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6 **36. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 wherein playing the
7 audio file and displaying associated lyric data includes:
8 playing the audio file;
9 determining a time code associated with a current playback location in the
10 audio file;
11 identifying a lyric segment associated with the time code; and
12 displaying the lyric segment until a different time code is reached.

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14 **37. (Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a
15 computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited
16 in claim 32.

1 **38. (Currently Amended)** An apparatus for providing audio and lyrical
2 data to a user comprising:

3 an audio player to play an audio file;

4 a language selection module to automatically search a list of lyric sets
5 associated with the audio file to determine whether a lyric set is available in a
6 preferred language, and to automatically identify an alternate lyric set to be
7 displayed based on a hierarchical list of language priorities when the search by the
8 language selection module indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the
9 preferred language, the automatic searching and automatic identifying performed
10 without user assistance; and

11 a lyric display module coupled to the audio player and the language
12 selection module, the lyric display module to identify the alternate lyric set
13 associated with the audio file, wherein the lyric display module displays the
14 identified alternate lyric set synchronously with playing of the audio file.

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16 **39. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38
17 wherein the lyric display module displays different lyric segments of the alternate
18 lyric set based on a portion of the audio file being played by the audio player.

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20 **40. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38
21 wherein the alternate lyric set is stored in the audio file.

1 **41. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38 wherein the
2 preferred language is stored separately from the audio file.

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4 **42. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38 further
5 comprising a synchronized lyric editor to edit the alternate lyric set associated with
6 audio files.

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8 **43. (Currently Amended)** An apparatus for providing audio and lyrical
9 data to a user comprising:

10 means for identifying an audio file to play based on a user request;

11 means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio
12 file, wherein each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein the time
13 codes identify periods of time during playback of the audio file;

14 means for identifying a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage for
15 displaying lyrics, wherein the preferred sublanguage identifies a country/region
16 dialect of the preferred language, wherein an alternate language is automatically
17 selected without user assistance if lyric segments are not available in the preferred
18 language and sublanguage; and

19 means for playing the audio file and displaying a lyric segment that
20 corresponds to the current time code.

1 **44. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 43
2 wherein the means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments identifies a
3 plurality of lyric segments in the preferred sublanguage.

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5 **45. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 43 wherein the lyric
6 segments are stored in the audio file.

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8 **46. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable media
9 having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more
10 processors, causes the one or more processors to:

11 receive a user request to play an audio file;

12 identify a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage that identifies a
13 country/region dialect of the preferred language in which to display lyrics
14 associated with the audio file, wherein an alternate language is automatically
15 identified without user assistance if lyric segments are not available in the
16 preferred language and sublanguage;

17 identify a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio file, wherein
18 ~~each lyric segment is associated with the preferred sublanguage and~~ each lyric
19 segment has an associated time code, and wherein each time code identifies a time
20 during playback of the audio file that a corresponding lyric segment is displayed;
21 and

22 play the audio file and display the appropriate lyric segments as the audio
23 file is played.

1 **47. (Original)** One or more computer-readable media as recited in
2 claim 46 wherein the one or more processors further identify an alternate language
3 if lyric segments are not available in the preferred language.

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5 **48. (Original)** One or more computer-readable media as recited in
6 claim 46 wherein the time code data is stored in the audio file.
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